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SUBJECT: ECOSOC WORKING GROUP ON CORRUPT PRACTICES

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- 1. EMBASSY RAISED CONTENTS REFTEL WITH STEN NIKLASSON. SINCE MEMBERSHIP ON WG OPENED UP GOS HAS DISCUSSED INTERNALLY ITS REPRESENTATION. PRIMARY RESPONSIBILITY FOR SUBSTANCE OF CORRUPT PRACTICES PROPOSALS LIES WITH THE MINISTRY OF JUSTICE (BO SVENSSON AND JAN BOKMARK), WHILE REPRESENTATION AND NEGOTIATION LIE WITH MFA AND, TO LESSER EXTENT, MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY. NIKLASSON SAID THAT BRIDGING DIFFICULTIES BETWEEN DCS AND LDCS WAS THE PURVIEW OF THE MFA AND SWEDISH UN DELEGATION, AND HE REMARKED THAT HIS GOVERNMENT HAD FULL CONFIDENCE IN PER JODAHL WHO DEALS WITH ECOSOC MATTERS ON SWEDEN'S UN DELEGATION.
- 2. THE KEEN INTEREST WHICH THE USG AND PRESIDENT CARTER HAVE IN THE SUBJECT WAS PRESSED ON NIKLASSON. HE REPLIED IT IS NOT A LACK OF INTEREST SO MUCH AS LACK CONFIDENTIAL

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OF ENOUGH EXPERTS TO SUPPORT THE MANY ISSUES BEFORE THE UN (AND ELSEWHERE, FOR THAT MATTER). HE AGREED THAT WHEN QUESTIONS OF SUBSTANCE MIGHT ARISE GOS WOULD BE INCLINED TO SEND AN OFFICIAL FROM THE MINISTRY OF JUSTICE TO SUPPORT ITS UN DELEGATION.

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